

Chief, CS/ma/w

29 August 1963

Chief, Station 954

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On 6 February 1963 Station 954 received EPIC requisition No. 9700-9660-63, voucher No. 63-100,233 in the amount of [REDACTED]. This requisition was initiated for a contract with a new Agency source, [REDACTED] to conduct a two-phase Feasibility Study on an "Ultra-High Resolution Diffraction Viewer".

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On the basis of information supplied to EPIC during March 1963, it was recommended by EPIC that a fixed-price contract, for Phase I only, be negotiated with [REDACTED]

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A fixed-price [REDACTED] was negotiated in the amount of [REDACTED]

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For your information the results of the Feasibility Study of a Diffraction Viewer is attached (Report No. 4001 dated 30 July 1963).

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During the course of the study this office received two inspection reports from EPIC signed by [REDACTED] and approved by [REDACTED]. In the first report, dated 6 May 1963, the overall performance of the Contractor was considered to be "highly satisfactory". The second report, dated 1 July 1963, indicated an "excellent" performance.

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We have also attached [REDACTED] invoice No. 8-008 in the amount of [REDACTED] requesting payment for the study. Based upon the inspection reports cited above and the technical review of this final report by [REDACTED] Deputy Chief/CS 954, there seems to be no reason why a receiving report should not be issued and that the Contractor be paid for his work under the contract.

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According to [REDACTED] they now have the following work either in house or contemplated:

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- [REDACTED]
- In House
- Letter of Intent (In Process)
- Being negotiated
- Possibility of Sub-contract
- Notice to contract

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It appears that if [REDACTED] can reduce their intended negotiations to "in house contracts" they will be financially responsible for approximately \$[REDACTED]

The firm has requested expeditation of its invoices to any extent that will facilitate payment to them.

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The foregoing information is for your use in ascertaining the appropriateness of making payment to the subject contractor.

In conclusion, it is requested that the MPIC liaison representative assist in obtaining MPIC concurrence in the proposed payment based on satisfactory and acceptable performance.

If approval of the Contracting Officer is indicated after the foregoing has been clarified, C/954 requests C/CB/PD or DC/CB/PD to approve and forward directives to channels for payment.

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